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### Major Force Issues

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#### i. Strategic Offensive and Defensive Forces:

1. Strategic Missile Forces: How many strategic missiles of which types should we have? What mix should be planned for the reentry vehicle components of each system?

Primary Action Office: Systems Analysis

2. Advanced ICBM: Should we begin Contract Definition for an Advanced ICBM either in FY 68 or in FY 69?

Primary Action Office: DDR&E

3. AMSA: Should we authorize development of an AMSA?

Primary Action Office: DDR&E

4. B-52 SRAM: Should we equip the B-52G/H with SRAM?

Primary Action Office: Systems Analysis

5. Nike-X: Should Nike-X be deployed and, if so, at what level, under what concept, and for what IOC date? What should be the size and character of the ABM R&D program? In the event of a decision to deploy, what should the concomittant damage-limiting program be?

Primary Action Office: DDR&E and Systems Analysis

6. CONUS Air Defense: a) Should full-scale development of AWACS be begun? Should a new interceptor be developed and with what characteristics? b) Should we plan now to introduce AWACS and a new interceptor into the force structure and, if so, what should be the force plan for aircraft and associated ground environment?

Primary Action Office: For a), DDR&E  
For b), Systems Analysis

7. C<sup>3</sup> for Polaris/Poseidon: a) Should new C<sup>3</sup> systems for the Polaris/Poseidon force be developed? b) Pending development, what systems should we now procure and operate?

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For b), Systems Analysis

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#### II. General Purpose Forces:

1. Land Forces: What should our total land force structure, Army and Marine Corps, be (a) during and (b) after the current Southeast Asian operations? What should be the number and mix of combat divisions and independent brigades (by type), ISIs, and SSIs, active and reserve? What should the "time readiness" of the various units be? With what equipment should these forces be provided? Specifically, what numbers and types of helicopters should be procured for Army and Marine active and reserve Land Forces? What should be the procurement plan for M-60 and M41-70 tanks? What should be the mix of artillery weapons (Lance, Honest John, MARS II, and cannon artillery)?

Primary Action Office: Systems Analysis

2. Tactical Air Forces: a) What should the tactical air (fighter, attack, reconnaissance, and other) force structure be in the Air Force, Navy, and Marine Corps, both active and reserve? What is the purpose of the Special Air Warfare Force, and how should it be equipped? b) Should we develop new types of tactical aircraft, such as the FX, VFAX, FAX, or AX?

Primary Action Office: For a), Systems Analysis  
For b), DDR&E

3. ASW Forces: a) What anti-submarine warfare forces (DX and other surface escorts, submarines, CVSS and their aircraft, patrol aircraft, and sound surveillance systems) should we have to prosecute wars at sea, either with or without associated wars on land? b) Should we proceed with development of the VSX?

Primary Action Office: For a), Systems Analysis  
For b), DDR&E

4. Major Fleet Escorts: How many major fleet escorts of which types (including the DXG) should we have? Should we retire some or all of our WWII guided missile cruiser conversions, and on what schedule? What fleet flagship provisions should we make?

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5. Amphibious Assault Shipping: Should we have modernized lift for 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ , or for 2 MEPS? What type and how many AGLs should we have? How much gunfire support should we provide, and with what forces should we provide it?

Primary Action Office: Systems Analysis

6. Strategic Mobility and Transportation: What should our capabilities for strategic mobility and transportation be (number of divisions, etc. in specified period to particular areas in connection with typical "contingency" plans)? What is the best balance between organic airlift, organic sealift, prepositioned equipment, and commercial airlift and sealift? What portion of our capability should be provided by reserve airlift forces, and how should they be organized and equipped?

Primary Action Office: Systems Analysis

7. Intra-Theater Mobility and Transportation: What should be the size and composition of our intra-theater airlift and other theater mobility forces?

Primary Action Office: Systems Analysis

8. Logistics Guidance: What should the Logistics Guidance be? How can it best be simplified and clarified?

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### III. Nuclear Weapons:

1. Theater Nuclear Weapons: With what weapons should our land, sea, and air forces be provided for theater nuclear operations?

Primary Action Office: Systems Analysis

### IV. Other:

1. Indirect Support Aircraft: How many and what kinds of indirect support aircraft should we have? What are the most efficient ways of managing them?

Primary Action Office: Systems Analysis

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